# 60-Day Notice of Intent to Sue Under Health & Safety Code Section 25249.6

Environmental World Watch, Inc. ("Noticing Party") provides this notice, whose contact for the purpose of this notice is Reuben Yeroushalmi, Esq., Yeroushalmi & Associates, 3700 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 480, Los Angeles, CA 90010, 213-382-3183 (a responsible individual within the noticing entity for purposes of Cal. Code Regs., tit. 22, § 12903(b)(2)(A)(1)). Noticing Party believes that Gate Gourmet, Inc. ("Violator") has violated The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act (Health & Saf. Code, § 25249.5, et seq.) ("Proposition 65") during the period referenced below.

## I. BACKGROUND AND ALLEGATIONS

Violator has exposed and continues to expose its employees to jet engine exhaust, which contains the chemicals listed below and designated to cause cancer and/or reproductive toxicity ("Covered Chemicals") (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 22, § 12000), without first giving clear and reasonable warning of such to the exposed persons pursuant to Proposition 65.

PERIOD OF VIOLATION

From: October 27, 2000

Through October 27, 2004

and continuing thereafter.

#### Occupational Exposures

During the period referenced above, Violator exposed its employees to jet engine exhaust emitted from the operating engines of aircraft. The exposures occurred when Violator's employees under Violator's instructions, and as an integral and mandatory part of their duties as employees of Violator, delivered, transported, and stocked aircraft with food and beverages, while such aircraft refueled, and at other times when such aircraft were operating on the ground at the airports in those counties whose district attorneys are on the attached certificate of service, as well as working inside of aircraft that are in flight. The exposed employees include catering and food service delivery personnel, and other personnel working for or with the Violator. Violator exposed these employees to the Covered Chemicals contained in jet engine exhaust without first giving clear and reasonable warning of such pursuant to Proposition 65 to the exposed employees. The sources of exposures include inhalation caused by the exposed employees breathing in the ambient air containing jet engine exhaust while traversing runway areas, ramps, jet bridges, areas inside of, and near, the aircraft, at the airports in those counties whose district attorneys are on the attached certificate of service. Dermal exposure of the Covered Chemicals occurred because the particulate matter and other chemical residues in solid and semi gaseous form derived from jet engine exhaust deposited on exposed surfaces near the runways where the aircraft operated so that affected persons touched these surfaces and absorbed the chemicals through their skin, as well as exposures caused by the matter and residue depositing directly on their skin.

This notice alleges the violation of Proposition 65 with respect to occupational exposures governed by the California State Plan for Occupational Safety and Health. The State Plan incorporates the provisions of Proposition 65, as approved by Federal OSHA on June 6, 1997. This approval specifically placed certain conditions with regard to occupational exposures on Proposition 65, including that it does not apply to the conduct of manufacturers occurring outside the State of California. The approval also provides that an employer may use the means of compliance in the general hazard communication requirements to comply with Proposition 65. It also requires that supplemental enforcement is subject to the supervision of the California Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Accordingly, any settlement, civil complaint, or substantive court orders in this matter must be submitted to the Attorney General.

For each such type and means of exposure, Violator has exposed the above referenced persons to:

### **CARCINOGENS**

Benz[a]anthracene	Chrysene	Benzo[a]pyrene	Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene
Formaldehyde (gas)	Acetaldehyde	Naphthalene	Benzene
Ethylbenzene	Benzo[b]fluoranthene	Benzo[k]fluoranthene	Dibenz[a,h]anthracene
1,3-Butadiene			

#### REPRODUCTIVE TOXINS

Toluene	Carbon Monoxide	1,3-Butadiene	Benzene	

Proposition 65 requires that notice and intent to sue be given to the violator(s) 60 days before the suit is filed. With this letter, Noticing Party gives notice of the alleged violations to Violator and the appropriate governmental authorities. In absence of any action by the appropriate governmental authorities within 60 days of the sending of this notice, Noticing Party may file suit. This notice covers all violations of Proposition 65 concerning Violator that Noticing Party currently knows of from information now available to it. The copy of this notice submitted to Violators includes a copy of *The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): A Summary*.

Dated: 10 - 27 - 2005

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Attorney for

Environmental World Watch, Inc.

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

am over the age of 18 and not a party to this case. I am a resident of or employed in the county where the mailin occurred. My business address is 3700 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 480, Los Angeles, CA 90010.

#### I SERVED THE FOLLOWING:

- 1) 60-Day Notice of Intent to Sue Under Health & Safety Code Section 25249.6
- 2) Certificate of Merit: Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d)
- 3) Certificate of Merit: Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d) Attorney General Copy (only sent to Attorne General)
- 4) The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): A Summary by enclosing a true copy of the same, along with an unsigned copy of this declaration, in a sealed envelope addressed to each person shown below and depositing the envelope in the United States mail with the postage fully prepaid. Place of Mailing:

  Los Angeles, CA

# NAME AND ADDRESS OF EACH VIOLATOR TO WHOM DOCUMENTS WERE MAILED:

Gate Gourmet, Inc.
David N. Siegel, Chairman/CEO
11710 Plaza America Drive, Suite 800
Reston, VA 20190

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EACH PUBLIC PROSECUTOR TO WHOM DOCUMENTS WERE MAILED:

Los Angeles City Attorney	Los Angeles County District Attorney	Office of the Attention of the
		Office of the Attorney General
200 N Main St Ste 1800	210 W Temple St, 18th Floor	P.O. Box 70550
Los Angeles CA 90012	Los Angeles, CA 90012	Oakland, CA 94612-0550
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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: 10 - 27 - 2005

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David P. Kashani

#### CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d)

## I, Reuben Yeroushalmi, hereby declare:

- 1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice in which it is alleged the party identified in the notice has violated Health and Safety Code section 25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.
- 2. I am the attorney for the noticing party.
- 3. I have consulted with at least one person with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who has reviewed facts, studies, or other data regarding the exposure to the listed chemical that is the subject of the action.
- 4. Based on the information obtained through those consultations, and on all other information in my possession, I believe there is a reasonable and meritorious case for the private action. I understand that "reasonable and meritorious case for the private action" means that the information provides a credible basis that all elements of the plaintiffs' case can be established and the information did not prove that the alleged violator will be able to establish any of the affirmative defenses set forth in the statute.
- 5. The copy of this Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General attaches to it factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(h)(2), i.e., (1) the identity of the persons consulted with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) the facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.